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Applicant:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated August 3, 2005 applicant hereby elects the claims of Group B, claims 1-16 and 26-41.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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